

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A method by which a ~~computing system~~portable computer in a sleep mode responds to a wireless communication~~an event that wakes the computing system from a sleep mode,~~ the method comprising the following steps:

waking the portable computer from the sleep mode in response to the wireless communication;

_____ ~~(a)~~ (a)-recognizing the event~~wireless communication~~ by the ~~computing system~~portable computer;

~~(b)~~ (b)-responding to the event~~wireless communication~~ by the ~~computing system~~portable computer, including the following ~~substeps~~:

~~(b.1)~~ (b.1)-generating an event notification message, and

~~(b.2)~~ (b.2) transmitting the event notification message to an external device separate from the ~~computing system~~portable computer, the transmitting being performed via a wireless communication transmission;

and,

~~(e)~~ (e)-returning the ~~computing system~~portable computer to the sleep mode.

2. (Currently Amended) A method as in claim 1 wherein in ~~substep (b.2)~~ the external device is one of the following:

- a personal digital assistant;
- a cell phone;
- a pager;
- a dedicated display device.

3. (Currently Amended) A method as in claim 1 wherein the ~~event~~wireless communication is one of the following:

- an incoming call to the ~~computing system~~portable computer;
- ~~an alarm from a calendar program operating within the computing system;~~
- an incoming fax communication;
- an incoming e-mail communication;
- an inquiry from the external device;
- receipt of positioning information.

4. (Currently Amended) A method as in claim 1 wherein in ~~substep (b.2)~~ the transmission of the event notification is made by the ~~computing system~~portable computer directly to the external device via a wireless network.

5. (Currently Amended) A method as in claim 1 wherein ~~in substep (b.2)~~ the transmission of the event notification is made by the ~~computing system~~portable computer to the external device via a wireless modem.

6. (Currently Amended) A method as in claim 1:
wherein the ~~event~~wireless communication is an inquiry from the external device; and

wherein ~~in substep (b.2)~~ the event notification message includes a response to the inquiry from the external device.

7. (Currently Amended) A method as in claim 1 wherein the ~~event~~wireless communication is one of the following:

an access by the electronic device into a database within the ~~computing system~~portable computer;

an access into a calendaring program within the ~~computing system~~portable computer program.

8. (Currently Amended) A method as in claim 1:
wherein the ~~event~~wireless communication is an incoming phone call to the ~~computing system~~portable computer; and,

wherein responding to the wireless communication by the portable computer~~the step (b)~~ additionally includes the following ~~substep~~:

(b.3) providing a pop-up window that displays information pertaining to the phone call, the pop-up window being displayed to a user upon the user awakening the ~~computing system~~portable computer.

9. (Currently Amended) A method as in claim 1 additionally comprising the following ~~step~~:

~~(d)~~ queuing up the event notification message for retransmission when no receipt acknowledgement is received by the ~~computing system~~portable computer.

10. (Currently Amended) A method as in claim 1 additionally comprising the following ~~step~~:

~~(d)~~ retransmitting the event notification message when no receipt acknowledgement is received by the ~~computing system~~portable computer.

11. (Currently Amended) Storage media, the storage media storing software which when executing on a ~~computing system~~portable computer performs a method by which the ~~computing system~~portable computer responds to an event wireless communication ~~that wakes the computing system from a sleep mode~~, the method comprising the following steps:

waking the portable computer from the sleep mode in response to the wireless communication;

~~(a)~~ recognizing the event wireless communication by the ~~computing system~~ portable computer;

~~(b)~~ responding to the event wireless communication by the ~~computing system~~ portable computer, including the following ~~substeps~~:

~~(b.1)~~ generating an event notification message, and

~~(b.2)~~ transmitting the event notification message to an external device separate from the ~~computing system~~ portable computer, the transmitting being performed via a wireless communication transmission; and,

~~(e)~~ returning the ~~computing system~~ portable computer to the sleep mode.

12. (Currently Amended) Storage media as in claim 11 wherein ~~in~~ ~~substep (b.2)~~ the external device is one of the following:

a personal digital assistant;

a cell phone;

a pager;

a dedicated display device.

13. (Currently Amended) Storage media as in claim 11 wherein the event wireless communication is one of the following:

a incoming call to the ~~computing system~~ portable computer;

~~an alarm from a calendar program operating within the computing system;~~

an incoming fax communication;

an incoming e-mail communication;

an inquiry from the external device;

receipt of positioning information.

14. (Currently Amended) Storage media as in claim 11 wherein in substep (b.2) the transmission is made by the ~~computing system~~portable computer directly to the external device via a wireless network.

15. (Currently Amended) Storage media as in claim 11 wherein in substep ~~(b.2)~~ the transmission is made by the ~~computing system~~portable computer to the external device via a wireless modem.

16. (Currently Amended) Storage media as in claim 11:
wherein the event~~nt~~wireless communication is an inquiry from the external device; and,

wherein ~~in substep (b.2)~~ the event notification message includes a response to the inquiry from the external device.

17. (Currently Amended) Storage media as in claim 11 wherein the ~~event~~wireless communication is one of the following:

an access by the electronic device into a database within the ~~computing system~~portable computer;

an access into a calendaring program within the ~~computing system~~portable computer program.

18. (Currently Amended) Storage media as in claim 11:

wherein the ~~event~~wireless communication is an incoming phone call to the ~~computing system~~portable computer; and,

wherein responding to the wireless communication by the portable computer~~the step (b)~~ additionally includes the following ~~substep~~:

~~(b.3)~~ providing a pop-up window that displays information pertaining to the phone call, the pop-up window being displayed to a user upon the user awakening the ~~computing system~~portable computer.

19. (Currently Amended) A method performed by a computing system, the method comprising the following ~~steps~~:

~~(a)~~ waking the computing system from a sleep mode upon receiving a cellular phone call to the computing system;

(b) providing a pop-up window that displays information pertaining to the phone call, the pop-up window being for displayed to a user upon the user awakening the computing system; and,

(c) returning the computing system to the sleep mode.

20. (Currently Amended) A method performed by a portable computing system, the method comprising the following steps:

(a) waking the portable computer from a sleep mode upon receiving an inquiry sent to the portable computer from an external device;

(b) responding to the inquiry by the portable computer, including the following substeps:

(b.1) generating an event notification message, and

(b.2) transmitting the event notification message back to the external device, the transmitting being performed via a wireless communication transmission; and,

(c) returning the portable computer to the sleep mode.

21. (Currently Amended) A method as in claim 20 wherein the inquiry is one of the following:-

an access by the electronic device into a database within the portable computer;

an access into a calendaring program within the ~~computing~~
~~system~~portable computer program.

22. (Original) A method as in claim 20 wherein external device is one of
the following:

a cell phone;

a pager;

a dedicated display device.